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Excise Officers Arrest 66 in West Lafayette

W. LAFAYETTE, Ind. (Nov. 18) – Indiana State Excise Police officers arrested 66 people on 75 charges in West Lafayette this weekend.

Officers working on and around the Purdue University campus arrested 38 minors for illegal possession or consumption of alcohol Friday and Saturday nights. Three were also charged with possession of false IDs, one of whom was also cited for being in a liquor store.

Excise officers arrested 14 adults for furnishing alcohol to minors. Two people were also arrested on drug-possession charges.

Officers also issued 12 tickets for a variety of other offenses, including various traffic violations. They also issued 12 warning tickets.

This weekend's enforcement efforts in West Lafayette are part of the Intensified College Enforcement, or ICE, initiative – itself part of a multi-year effort by the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to reduce underage drinking. The ICE initiative follows other programs by the ATC aimed at underage access to and use of alcoholic beverages.

As the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission, the primary mission of the Indiana State Excise Police is to promote public safety by enforcing Indiana's Alcoholic Beverage Code. While excise officers have the authority to enforce any state law, they focus primarily on alcohol, tobacco and related laws.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.